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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT
Organizational Responsibilities

The mission of the Addictive & Mental (AMDD) Division is to advocate for and promote dignity and independence for older Montanans and Montanans with disabilities. Within AMDD, the Mental Health Services Bureau administers Medicaid programs that are designed to assist individuals with disabilities to remain in their homes and communities, and prevent their placement in nursing homes whenever appropriate. Clients who are eligible for this program receive Medicaid coverage and special services specific to their needs.

ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Mental Health Services Bureau has multiple levels of agency involvement. The responsibilities of the organizations follow.

FEDERAL

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), is the federal agency responsible for administering the Medicaid Program.

STATE

The Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) is the state agency responsible for administering the Medicaid Program.

DIVISION

The Addictive and Mental Disorders (AMDD) is responsible for developing, implementing, and monitoring policies and procedures for all mental health services for adults and chemical dependency services.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BUREAU

The Mental Health Services Bureau (MHSB) is responsible for managing SDMI Home & Community Based Services.

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Community Program Officers (CPOs) are Department employees supervised by the Mental Health Services Bureau of the AMDD Division. They are located in DPHHS District Offices around the state. CPOs are primarily responsible for local development and support of the Mental Health Services Bureau SDMI waiver.

MOUNTAIN PACIFIC QUALITY HEALTH

The Mountain Pacific Quality Health is the Quality Improvement Organization that contracts with the Department to perform the authorization functions of the Personal Assistance Services Program, the Self-Directed Personal Assistance Services Program, the Preadmission Screening Program and the Home Health Program.

ELIGIBILITY STAFF

Eligibility Staff are Department employees located in County Offices of Human Services who determine financial eligibility for Medicaid.

FISCAL AGENT

The Department currently contracts with Xerox to process all Medicaid claims.

